GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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ENHANCEMENT OF PENSION FOR WORLD WAR II PARTICIPANTS
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that the amount of 'Jangi-Inam' which used to be given to the jawans of the Indian Army for their valour during the World War II has been increased from Rs. 10/- per mensem to Rs. 100/- per mensem;

(b) if so, the total number of soldiers/legal heirs who are recipient of 'Jangi-Inam';

(c) whether the recipients of 'Jangi-Inam' have from time to time demanded to bring the amount provided under 'Jangi-Inam' at par with the monthly pension provided to other soldiers;

(d) if so, whether the Government proposes to take any decision on the aforesaid demand; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The time and effort spent in collecting this information would not be commensurate with the results sought to be achieved.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) The demand to bring the monetary benefit under 'Jangi-Inam' at par with the monthly pension provided to other soldiers has been considered by the Government but could not be acceded to.

(e) Does not arise in view of (d) above.